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Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action dated July 9, 2004 having a reply due date of October 9, 2004. Since the due date falls on a Saturday and the following Monday, October 11, 2004 is a federal holiday, applicants are submitting this response on Tuesday, October 12, 2004 according to 37 CFR 1.7. Reconsideration and reexamination are respectfully requested in light of the remarks below.

Upon review of the file, it was noted that the initialed Form PTO-1449 filed with the Disclosure Statement dated May 7, 2004 has not been received. It is requested that the Examiner initial the Form PTO-1449, a copy of which is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience, and return it to the undersigned attorney.

This Amendment is believed to be timely submitted. It is believed that no fee is due; however, in the event a fee is required, please charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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